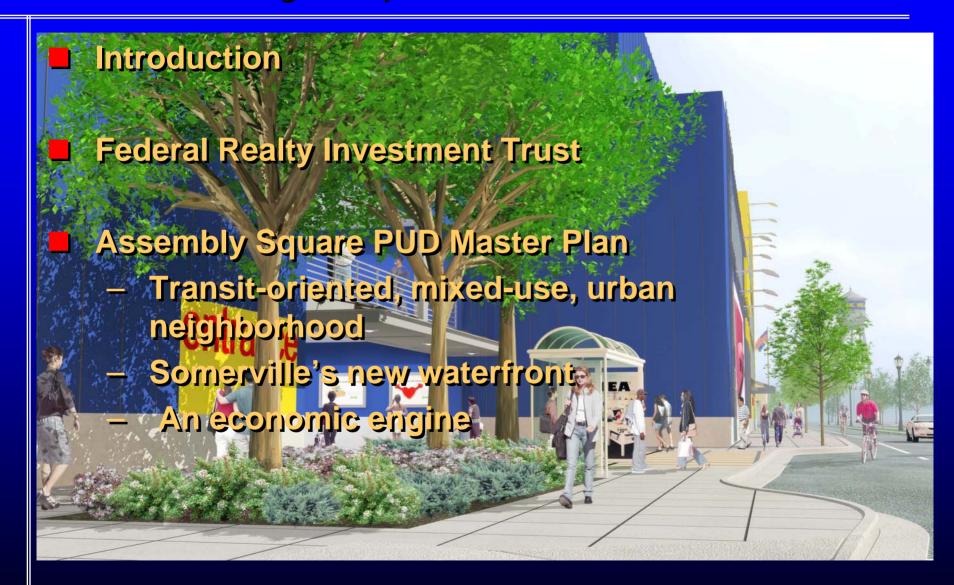
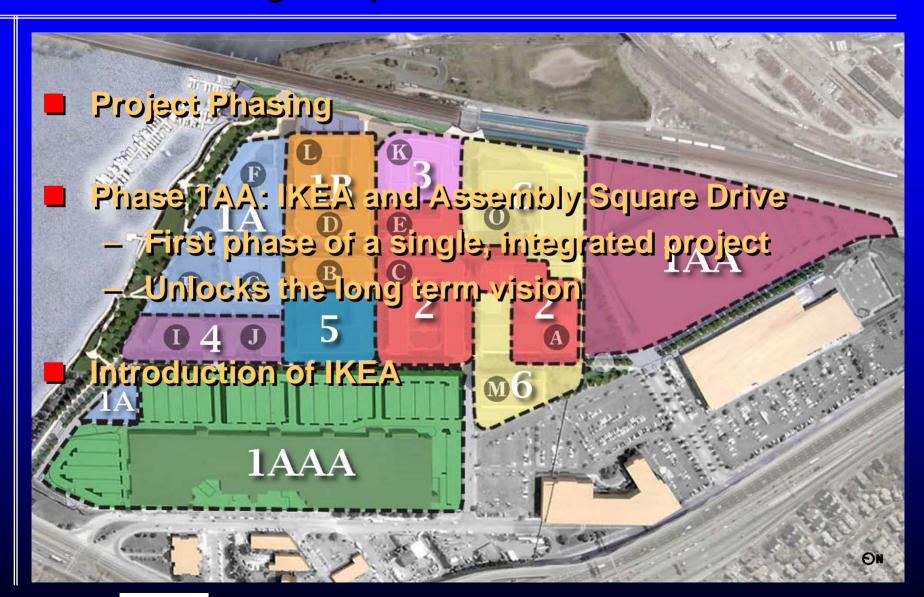
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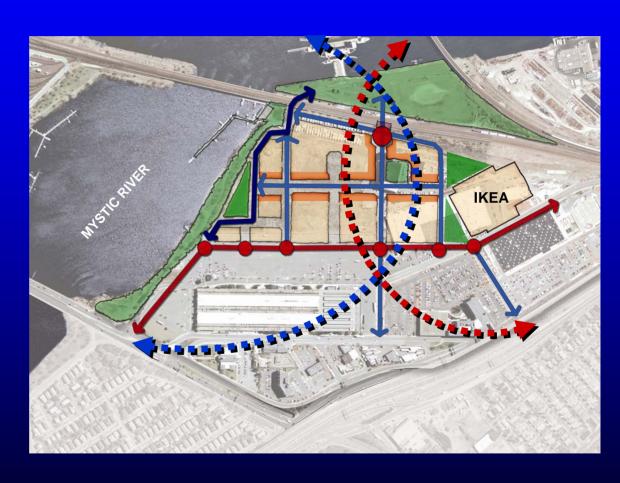


- Improved access to the water opened-up by the land swap
- **2.** Transit-oriented Planning
- 3. Mixed-use program
- 4. Streets and public spaces are the backbone



#### 1. Improved access to the water and Draw 7 Park

- Land swap puts people and public spaces by the water
- Street grid creates improved access to Draw 7 Park
- Activate street level experience with amenities and retail
- Focus the pedestrian routes to make streets and public spaces successful
- T-Station phased-in with Assembly Square





2. Transit-oriented community

---**OFFICE** PARKING Assembly Square ■ Main Street HOTEL **PARKING FASSEMBLY SQUARE DRIVE** 

Secondary Path:

via IKEA Way

610' travel distance along
auto-oriented drive

**Store entrance** 



**Preferred Path:** 

Main Street

public space

via Foley Street &

610' travel distance through pedestrian-oriented streets and



#### 2. Transit-oriented community

#### East end of Foley Street: A place of arrival

•An extension of Assembly Square to strengthen connection between the T and Assembly Square.

•Activated by storefronts and streetoriented retail.



#### **Assembly Square**

Encompasses the east end of Foley Street to create a sense of connection to Foley Street East the T-Station, and Main Street.

- •Hard and softscape, shade trees •Lined with office entrances and street-oriented retail. Tree-lined sidewalks
- Slow-moving traffic



#### Assembly Square T station

Entrance positioned to orient pedestrians to Foley Street



#### **Main Street**

Activated by the hotel entrance, the cinema entrance and streetoriented retail.





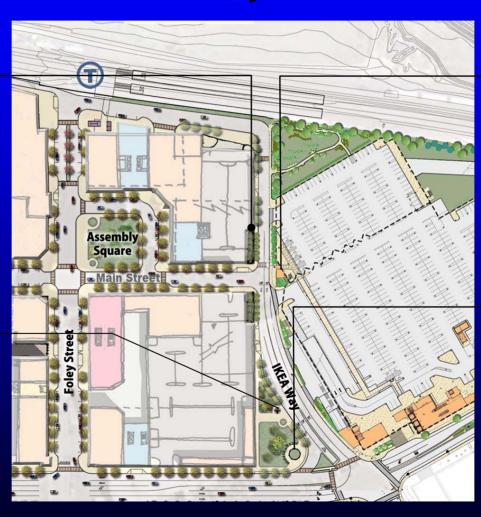
#### 2. Transit-oriented community

#### Gateway to Assembly Square

Created by a double row of trees and symmetrical pocket parks



Kiosk Wayfinding and orientation



IKEA Storefront and Pedestrian Entrance

Main Street Termination



Trellis & Seating Seating area at corner







#### 3. Mix of Uses

A true mixed-use program:

- 1.75 million sf office
- 2,100 units residential
- 1,100,000 sf retail
- IKEA is one part of that larger community





#### 4. Balanced street network and pedestrian-oriented public spaces

**Main Street Assembly** 

**Mystic** Riverfront

**Assembly Square** 

Rainwater Garden

**IKEA Park** 

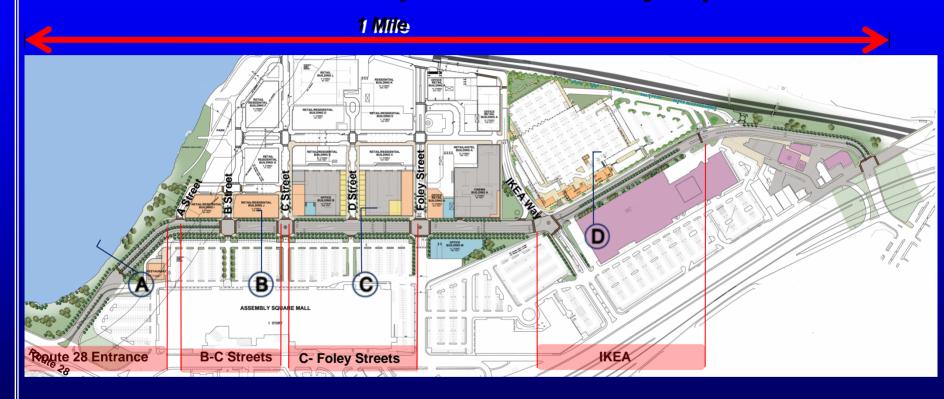
**IKEA Way** 

**Square** 

**Drive** 



#### 4. Streets and Public Spaces: Assembly Square Drive







# 4. Streets and Public Spaces: Assembly Square Drive – Entrance from Route 28

- Two through-lanes in both directions
- •Continuous street trees on both sides
- •Center landscaped median







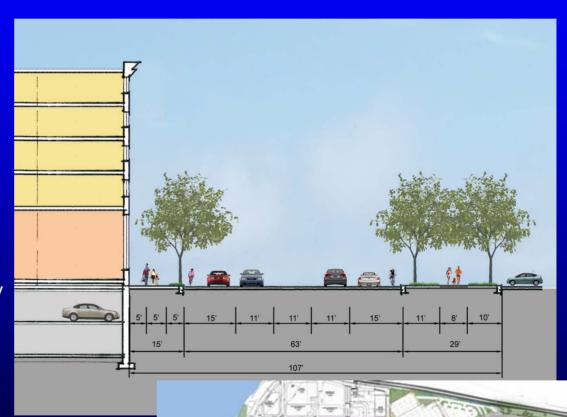




# 4. Streets and Public Spaces: Assembly Square Drive - B Street - C Street

- •Two through-lanes in both directions
- Continuous street trees on both sides
- Center turning lane
- •North Side:
  - Continuous tree-planted green strip
  - Street-level retail
- •South Side:
  - Double row of trees
  - Continous pedestrian pathway









# 4. Streets and Public Spaces: Assembly Square Drive - C Street - Foley Street

- Two through-lanes in both directions
- •Continuous street trees on both sides
- Center turning lane
- •North Side:

Parking structure screened behind landscaped setback

•South Side:

Double row of trees Continuous Path







# 4. Streets and Public Spaces: Assembly Square Drive – *IKEA Frontage*

- One through-lane in both directions
- Landscaped center median
- •North Side:
  Continuous Street trees
- •South Side:
  - Continuous trees screen back of Home Depot









#### 4. Streets and Public Spaces: **IKEA Park**

- Gateway to Assembly Square PUD
- Transitional area between Ikea and mixeduse community
- Green park-like setting
- Address for block A2 development
- Trellis element for seating at the corner





# 4. Streets and Public Spaces: Rainwater Garden

- Site Sustainability
  - Slows down stormwater runoff
  - Cleans water before it enters the stormwater system
- Passive Recreation
  - Pedestrian walking trail and seating
- Educational
  - Interpretive signage







### IKEA

- I. Company Background
- **II. Community Benefits**
- **III. IKEA Somerville**





#### Our Origins



- The letters in IKEA come from the name ingvar Kamprad, our founder
- He grew up on a farm called <u>Filmtaryd in Agunnaryd (a parish in southern Sweden)</u>
- Started company at age 17
- IKEA has grown into a worldwide business
  - more than 250 stores in 35 countries
  - 1300 suppliers extend reach to 53 countries
  - catalog distribution to more than 175 million people worldwide in 27 different languages





### Our Unique Concept

- Our Vision:
  - To create a better everyday life for the many

- Our Mission:
  - To provide well-designed, stylish, functional home furnishings at affordable prices
- Our Approach:
  - Furniture & accessories
  - All under one roof
  - 10,000 items available on-site
  - See product, take home, assemble on same day
  - Products designed/produced exclusively by IKEA





### Our Unique Stores

- Furniture Showroom
  - 3 interactive, full-size home displays
  - 50 inspirational room settings
  - Living room, media, dining, kitchen, office, bedroom, Children's IKEA



- Marketplace with accessories
  - lighting, rugs, bedding, bath, cookware, tableware, gifts, pictures/frames, storage, plants/wicker
- Self-select warehouse
- Swedish restaurant & café
- Supervised kids play area







#### Inside the Numbers

- World's leading home furnishings company
- Privately held and based in Sweden
- 458 million people visited IKEA in 2006
- Global sales for 2006: 22.1 billion
  - Germany: 17%
  - U.S.: 12%
  - U.K.: 9%
  - France: 9%
  - Sweden: 8%
- U.S. sales for 2006: 2.5 billion
- Focus now on expansion in U.S., among others





#### Where We Are: Countries with IKEA Stores

Australia **Switzerland** Germany Norway Austria Greece **Poland Taiwan Belgium** Hungary **Portugal** Turkey Bulgaria \* Iceland Romania **United Arab Emir** Ireland \* Canada Russia **United Kingdom** USA China Israel Saudi Arabia Croatia \* Italy Serbia \* Cyprus \* Japan **Singapore** Czech Rep. Kuwait Slovakia Slovenia \* **Denmark** Malaysia Netherlands **Finland** Spain New Zealand \* **France** Sweden





## Existing & Future Stores in N.A.



#### **Economic Benefits of IKEA**

- Major Fiscal Contributions
  - Tax revenue for state, local governments and schools
  - 400-500 full- and part-time jobs
  - 500+ construction jobs
  - High per square foot construction costs
  - Regional draw brings new dollars into local community









#### A Commitment to Coworkers

- IKEA Aims to be Employer of Choice
  - 400-500 full-time & part-time jobs
    - up to 50 management positions
  - Diverse opportunities
  - Gateway to global careers
  - IKEA hires from the local area
  - **Competitive salaries for coworkers**
  - All full-time and part-time coworkers eligible for health benefits and tuition reimbursements
  - Turnover rate less than industry standard







Welcome!

#### A Commitment to Coworkers

IKEA has been named 4<sup>th</sup> year in row to Working Mother's list of 100 Best Companies for working mothers

Named 5<sup>th</sup> year in a row among *Training*'s top 125 T&D programs



Pernille Lopez, President - IKEA North America has received 'Family Champion' Award

Recognized by *FORTUNE* for 3 years in row on list of '100 Best Companies to Work For'







#### A Commitment to Community

- IKEA partners with national organizations
  - Habitat for Humanity
  - Save the Children
  - American Forests
  - UNICEF









- IKEA is committed to working with local community interests
  - Local contributions/volunteerism
  - Corporate philanthropy
  - Environmental leadership





#### Commitments to Somerville

- Relocate from Riverfront Site to Inland Site
- Restore Water Tower
- Fund significant portion of the T station
- Provide 200 dedicated parking spaces for T riders during peak times
- Provide shuttle bus service from either Sullivan Square or Wellington Stations
- Subsidize employee transit passes
- Offer discounted delivery service to users of mass transit





#### Unique Urban Store

- Small site: 11.9 acres
- Brownfield site
- Structured parking below elevated store
- Landscaping around and on the store
- Enhanced screening & fenestration
- Transit-oriented:
  - Pedestrian
  - Bicycle
  - Bus
  - **—** Т
  - Free Shuttle





## Balanced Design

- Meeting the needs of
  - IKEA Concept
  - Site
  - City
  - Community
- Excellent result
  - Responds to comments
  - Tested limits of IKEA
     Concept requirements





#### The IKEA Brand

- 250 Stores worldwide
- Top Ten Brands worldwide

(Brandchannel and Interbrand)



#### And

 Consistency of building design









# Typical Store & Parking Design



## Typical IKEA Store



#### Typical IKEA Store







#### IKEA Site Plan







#### **IKEA Site Plan**

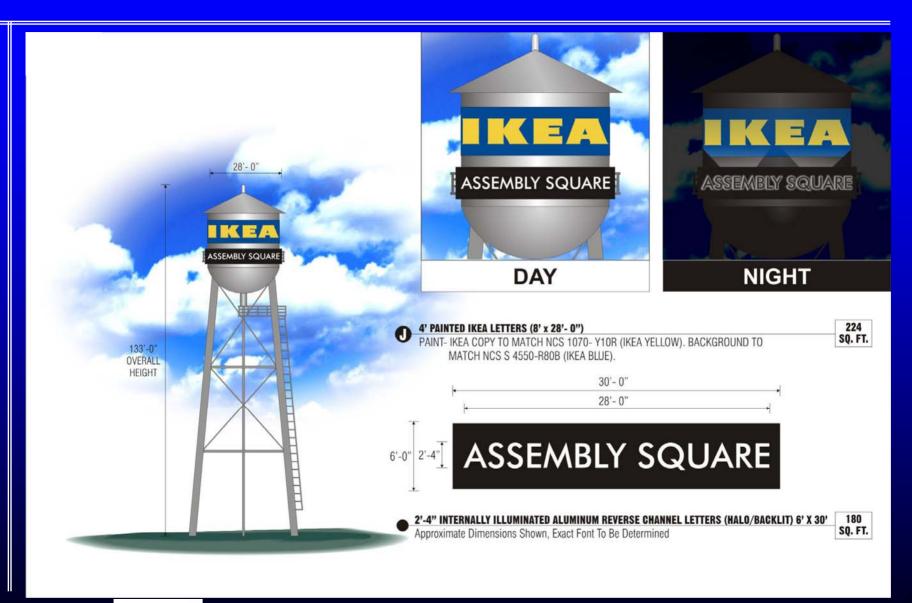
- 85% OF PARKING IN COVERED AREAS, REDUCING HEAT ISLANDS
- PROVIDE RAISED PEDESTRAIN WALKWAY THROUGH PARKING AREA TO BUILDING ENTRY
- PROVIDE CONCRETE PAVER WALKWAY, WITH LANDSCAPING, THROUGH SURFACE PARKING AREA
- PROVIDE RAIN GARDEN, OPEN SPACE PARK, WITH ACCESS TO IKEA PARKING AREA
- PROVIDE 200 PARKING SPACES FOR FUTURE ORANGE LINE COMMUTERS







#### **IKEA Site Plan**















#### **IMAGE A.1 – NORTHWEST CORNER OF BUILDING**





#### IMAGE A.2 - PEDESTRIAN VIEW OF BUILDING LOOKING SOUTH





#### **IMAGE A.2 – PEDESTRIAN VIEW OF BUILDING LOOKING SOUTH**

- A PEDESTRIAN LEVEL ENTRANCE SIGN WITH YELLOW PANELS WAS PROVIDED AT BUILDING OPENINGS
- AN ENTRY CANOPY IS PROVIDED AT THE BUILDING OPENINGS
- CONCRETE PAVERS ARE PROVIDED IN THE SIDEWALK, AT ENTRANCE OPENINGS
- AREA FOR A BUS SHELTER IS PROVIDED ON THE IKEA SIDEWALK
- A LARGE LANDSCAPE ISLAND WITH TREES AND SHRUBS IS PROVIDED ON THE IKEA SIDEWALK







#### **IMAGE B.1 – SOUTHWEST CORNER OF BUILDING**





#### **IMAGE B.2 – PEDESTRIAN VIEW OF BUILDING LOOKING NORTH**



#### **IMAGE B.2 – PEDESTRIAN VIEW OF BUILDING LOOKING NORTH**

- A FOUR FOOT, DECORATIVE CONCRETE WALL, WITH LANDSCAPING IS PROVIDED TO SCREEN PARKED CARS
- DECORATIVE CONCRETE SPANDREL PANELS ARE PROVIDED AT THE UPPER PARKING DECK AND RAMP TO SCREEN PARKED CARS
- PROVIDE ENTRY CANOPY, "ENTRANCE" SIGN AND CONCRETE PAVERS AT ENTRANCE OPENING
- LANDSCAPE TREES IN TREE GRATES ARE PROVIDED IN THE IKEA SIDEWALK



# IMAGE C.1 – VIEW OF BUILDING FROM NORTH BOUND CAR ON ASSEMBLY SQUARE DRIVE





# IMAGE C.2 – VIEW OF BUILDING FROM NORTH BOUND CAR ON ASSEMBLY SQUARE DRIVE



# IMAGE C.2 – VIEW OF BUILDING FROM NORTH BOUND CAR ON ASSEMBLY SQUARE DRIVE

DECORATIVE CONCRETE SPANDREL PANELS ARE PROVIDED AT THE UPPER DECK AND RAMP TO SCREEN PARKED CARS

EXTENSIVE LANDSCAPING AND TREES ARE PROVIDED ALONG THE PROPERTY LINE AND WITHIN RIGHT-OF-WAY TO SCREEN

BUILDING







#### IMAGE D.1 - VIEW OF BUILDING FROM NORTH BOUND TRAIN





#### IMAGE D.2 – VIEW OF BUILDING FROM NORTH BOUND TRAIN





#### **IMAGE D.2 – VIEW OF BUILDING FROM NORTH BOUND TRAIN**

- STAIR TOWER ELEMENTS WERE CREATED TO PROVIDE VISUAL INTEREST
- DECORATIVE CONCRETE SPANDREL PANELS ARE PROVIDED AT THE UPPER DECK AND RAMP TO SCREEN PARKED CARS
- EXTENSIVE LANDSCAPING AND TREES ARE PROVIDED ALONG THE PROPERTY LINE TO SCREEN BUILDING





#### IMAGE E.1 - VIEW OF BUILDING FROM SOUTH BOUND TRAIN





#### IMAGE E.2 – VIEW OF BUILDING FROM SOUTH BOUND TRAIN





#### **IMAGE E.2 – VIEW OF BUILDING FROM SOUTH BOUND TRAIN**

PROVIDE WIRE MESH PANELS ON THE FACE OF THE PARKING STRUCTURE TO ALLOW BOTH FAST GROWING DECIDUOUS AND SLOW GROWING EVERGREEN VINES TO GROW ON THE MESH CREATING A SCREEN FOR THE DECK, RAMP AND PARKED CARS







# IMAGE F.1 – VIEW OF NORTH FACE OF BUILDING FROM THE ASSEMBLY SQUARE DEVELOPMENT







# IMAGE F.2 – VIEW OF NORTH FACE OF BUILDING FROM THE ASSEMBLY SQUARE DEVELOPMENT





# IMAGE F.2 – VIEW OF NORTH FACE OF BUILDING FROM THE ASSEMBLY SQUARE DEVELOPMENT

- PROVIDE A PEDESTRIAN ENTRY FEATURE, WITH TWO LEVELS OF DISPLAY WINDOWS AND IKEA YELLOW PANELS, TO RESPOND TO PEDESTRIANS APPROACHING THE IKEA BUILDING FROM ASSEMBLY SQUARE AND THE FUTURE MBTA STATION
- PROVIDE A BLUE METAL PANEL WALL TO SCREEN THE LOADING TRUCKS AND COMPACTOR
- PROVIDE BLUE METAL PANELS
  AND STOREFRONT WINDOWS AT
  PARKING DECK LEVELS TO
  SCREEN PARKED CARS
- REDUCE SIZE OF ORIGINAL SEASONAL BANNER BY OVER 1,000 SQ.FT.







#### Working Together to Address City Concerns

- PEDSTRIAN LEVEL ENTRANCE SIGN AND CANOPY AT THE BUILDING OPENINGS
- CONCRETE PAVERS HIGHLIGHT ENTRANCE OPENINGS
- A BUS SHELTER IS PROVIDED ON THE IKEA SIDEWALK
- LARGE LANDSCAPE ISLAND WITH TREES AND SHRUBS WITHIN THE IKEA SIDEWALK
- A FOUR-FOOT, DECORATIVE CONCRETE WALL WITH LANDSCAPING IS PROVIDED TO SCREEN PARKED CARS
- DECORATIVE CONCRETE SPANDREL PANELS AT THE UPPER PARKING DECK AND RAMP TO SCREEN PARKED CARS





#### Working Together to Address City Concerns

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#### Working Together to Address City Concerns

- PROVIDE BLUE METAL PANEL WALL TO SCREEN THE LOADING AREA, TRUCKS AND COMPACTOR
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# Study Area: Phase 1-AA







## Traffic Study Phasing: Phase 1-AA

- Existing conditions
  - Observed traffic conditions/counts
  - Pedestrian activity
  - Existing deficiencies
- No Build conditions
  - 5-year horizon
  - Planned roadway improvements
  - Planned development projects
- Build conditions
  - Proposed IKEA
  - Proposed mitigation





### Trip Generation: Phase 1-AA

- IKEA counts at multiple stores
  - Schaumburg, IL
  - Bolling Brook, IL
  - Atlanta, GA
  - New Haven, CT
  - Emeryville, CA
  - Renton, WA
  - Woodbridge, VA
- Weekend peak times lesser impacts during commuter hours
- Most customers arriving by Route I-93





# Traffic Mitigation: Phase 1-AA





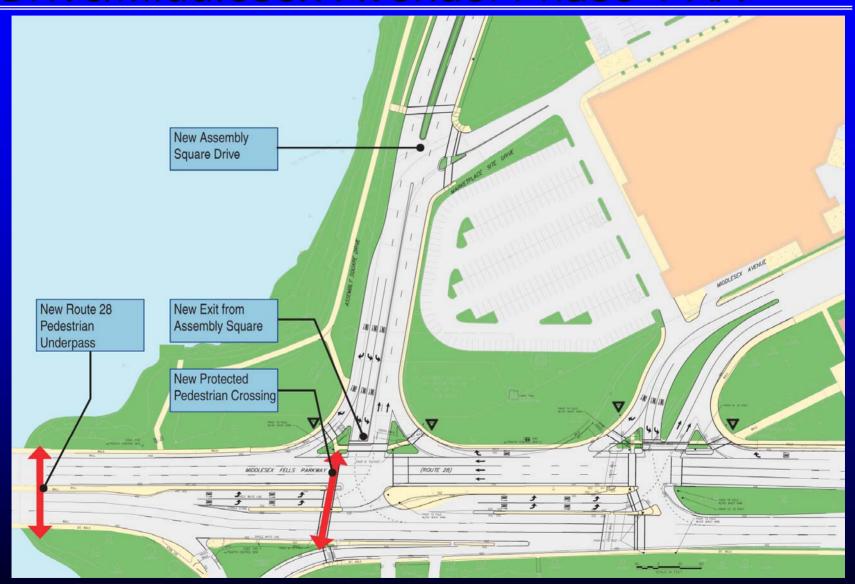
# Pedestrian Accommodations: Phase 1-AA







# Route 28 at Assembly Square Drive/Middlesex Avenue: Phase 1-AA







# Way Finding Signs: Phase 1-AA







# Assembly Square - Phase 1AA

- Collaboration between FRIT, IKEA and City
- A smart, sustainable new neighborhood
- Opportunity and benefits for Somerville
- Critical first step toward implementing a comprehensive, long-term vision





# Assembly Square - Phase 1AA



